Grant Management 101

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Phases of Grant Management

- Applying for a Grant/Pre-Award
- Post-Award/Implementation Phase
- Phase Down
- Closeout

Pre-Award - Too Late!

- Affects the grantee's ability to manage a grant after it is received
- Commitments/Personnel Issues
- Matching/Leverage requirements

Post Award - Implementation

- Who wrote it? What do you need?
- Are there any changes necessary?
- Are required systems in place?
- Are the necessary personnel in place for implementation?

Have you read your Grant?

You certify and assure that you will fully comply with everything contained within the agreement.

You are responsible for all subaward relationships also.

Grant Officer's Role

 Works in conjunction with your Federal Project Officer (FPO)

FPO is main point of contact

 FPO makes recommendations; cannot make changes (says so in one of your clauses)

Parts of your Grant Award

- Grant Transmittal Letter
 - PMS

Electronic Reporting

FPO

Grant Award/Signatory Page

- Notice of Award/Obligation
 - Period of Performance
 - Amount of Award
 - PMS guidelines as needed basis
 - References to federal requirements under the agreement

What are the Referenced Requirements?

- Uniform Administrative Requirements
- Cost Principles
- Other Requirements: Single Audit Act, Lobbying Certification, Non-discrimination/EEO, Debarment and Suspension; Drug Free Workplace; Workforce Investment Act, Wagner-Peyser Act, and
- The Grant Award Documents Parts I
 IV, and attachments

Grant Award Document – Parts I – IV and Attachments

- SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance
- Part I Statement of Work
- Part II Budget (SF 424a)
- Part III Assurances and Certifications (SF 424b)
- Part IV Special Clauses and Conditions

Grant Award Document – Con't. – "and attachments"

- Certification Lobbying; Drug Free Workplace, and Debarment and suspension
- 3 additional provisions usually: additional reporting requirements, provisions and distribution of grant funded products, and acknowledgement of funding source language
- Administrative cost limit clause and definition
- Salary cap limitations

What Other Factors Exist?

 Examine the Solicitation for Grant Application (SGA)

Eligibility/target group

How to document eligibility

How to recruit and select participants

Who's on First – and Where Are We Now?

- Managerial
 - Decide early who will be responsible for project management and administration
 - Decide how grant activities will be handled
 - Close coordination and communication is key

Implementation Phase -Project Management Organizational

- - Evaluate to determine whether required administrative systems necessary for accountability and program implementation are available

Implementation Phase – Project Management

- Clearly define grant objectives and deliverables
- Allocate resources, i.e., time, personnel, and budget
- Define lines of communication to meet requirements
- Direct and assign tasks and activities;

Implementation Phase -

- Monitoring Data on program and administrative aspects of the grant must be collected – decide how to do this and how often – how will this feed into your reporting requirements, i.e., track and report progress
- Includes timesheets, participant data, reporting frequency, and analysis of progress in implementation or product delivery

Implementation Phase -

- Evaluation Data collected through monitoring and assessment of progress implementing grant activities should be analyzed
- Analysis evaluates progress and provides feedback for policy and program planning and continues through project completion, and keeps project staff and partners informed

Implementation Phase – Project Management

- Continuous tracking, assessment, and evaluation of progress through monitoring and evaluation equals project management, and
- Project management organizes and manages resources to deliver grant activities and/or products within the specified scope, time, and cost constraints.

Phase Down – Plans for ending the Project

Status of participants?

How much time is needed?

Sustainability plan?

Final Reports?

Any other special considerations?

Closeout -

Electronic guide to closeout

 Obtain and reconcile all information and data necessary for closeout

Resolve any audit findings

A workshop to be provided during this meeting

Grant Management Resources – Who/What are my sources?

- Your Statement of Work, Circulars and Clauses
- Your Federal Project Officer (FPO)
- The grantee agency
- Other grantees/networking
- National associations and grant management advisory resources